# **Freckleton Parish Council**

# Minutes of the Communication's Committee Meeting held Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2013

**Present:** Councillor Mrs L Willis, (Chair), Councillors C Robb, St J Greenhough, K McKay and L Rigby

- 1) To Accept Apologies for absence. No apologies
- 2) Declaration of Interest. None
- 3) **Proposed draft of the July 2013 Newsletter** It was resolved to approve the draft Newsletter.
- To agree the date of the next meeting It was resolved that the next meeting would take place on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2013 commencing directly after the Planning meeting.

### There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed......St. J Greenhough, Chairman.....

Date.....01/07/13.....



# Freckleton Parish Council Newsletter Issue 38 July 2013

# Chairman's letter

At long last the weather has given us a week of sunshine. I would like to thank Councillor Liz Willis for guiding the Council through one of the wettest years on record.

Unfortunately John Garlick has had to retire from working for the Council as Groundsman due to ill health. He has worked very hard looking after the open spaces in the Village and will be sadly missed. "Golden Leaf" have taken over the contracts.

As I write this letter we are only one week from Club Day. The Club day Committee is working hard to make the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary two day event a great success.

You will have noticed that we have been carrying out maintenance on the football pitches to make two ready for the season. The Freckleton in Bloom committee is planting and making the Village blooming good for the North West in Bloom judging on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 12:30. They will be arranging a clean up before the judging, I am sure that help will be welcomed. This year there will be a "Best kept front garden competition", more information on the notice board.

St. John Greenhough Chairman Freckleton Parish Council

# Chairman's Annual report 2013

Over the last 12 months your Parish Council has:

- Supported Rural Splash again, in order to help to keep Kirkham baths open.
- Bought and distributed Golden Jubilee Mugs to the children of the village.
- Appointed a new Contractor to deal with the borders and shrubberies in the Village. The Council is pleased with the work that has been carried out and the ideas for improvements that have been suggested. They are working closely with Freckleton in Bloom to ensure correct integration.
- Continued to work with LCC to ensure the pathways around the Village centre and to the Strike lane and School lane schools were gritted during the winter months.
- Taken over ownership of Tom Croft Car Park from LCC. Work has been carried out to remove some railings to make more parking spaces. The bottle banks have been removed since they were an added cost to the council and there is recycling available in the Village and the Borough have provided a new wheelie bin system.
- Agreed the transfer, from FBC, of the ownership of the Open Spaces areas on the Hawthorns estate, Richardson Close and the bottom end of Balderstone road
- Replaced the chains and posts around the Cenotaph stone.
- With agreement of LCC we have taken on the maintenance of some Public Rights of way in the Village. Upgraded the Rawstorne centre with new boiler and disabled toilets.

And finally my thanks to Ken and Julie for the support they give to the Chairman and Council and all their hard work over the past year.

# Chairman of Finance's report 2013

# • Precept account (including Open Spaces).

- The Councils expenditure for 2012/13 was within the budget of £96,797.
- Community Development Account
  - The interest on the savings, in this account, has been reduced considerably due to the reduction in interest rates as a result of the recession.
  - The Council has set up the following Reserve accounts:-
    - Memorial Playground Fund
       £10k
    - Open Spaces new equipment fund £3.6k

### • Capital expenditure

• The following capital expenditure has been completed in 2012/13

| • Donation to Rural Splash (for the running of Kirkham Baths)           | - £2k   |
|---|---------|
| • A donation to the Village Hall Memorial trust, to help build up a     |         |
| maintenance reserve account.  | - £1k   |
| • Balance due on the upgrade of toilets at the Rawstorne Centre         | - £2.3k |
| • Purchase of Jubilee Mugs for the school children of the Village       | - £1k   |
| • Purchase of new hand mower  | - £467  |
| <ul> <li>Fees for Transfer of land from FBC</li> </ul>                  | - £822  |
| <ul> <li>New Central heating boiler for the Rawstorne centre</li> </ul> | - £2.5k |
|   |         |

• Proposed Capital Expenditure for 2013/14 Nil

### Freckleton Old Peoples Welfare Association Popularly known as the "Over 60s Club"

An event is held on the third Tuesday of the month (not August, Jan or Feb) at the Memorial hall in Freckleton. At each event there is some form of entertainment or informative talk. There are refreshments served and a Raffle. Please feel that you are welcome to attend. If you keep your eye on the Notice Board the details of the next event will be published. Should you be unable to get to the hall there are volunteers that will pick you up and drop you off. Should you require this service please contact Mr. Whittle on 01772 632566. So come along and meet new friends.

### **Freckleton Younger Years**

### Reg. Charity 1117922

The Youth Club is fortunate in that it continues to see an increase in youth numbers. However, due to losing a number of adult volunteers in recent months we are coming close to having to turn away future new youth attendees. We are therefore appealing for new volunteers to come along and assist the team. If you would be interested in assisting or know of anyone else who would then please ask any of the youth workers during our regular Wednesday session (7-9 pm) for further details or contact Mrs Carol Thomas (details below).

We would also like to remind you that we have a group website (see below) and are on Facebook. For further information relating to the Youth Club please contact Mrs Carol Thomas on Tel:-07966831660.

www.freckletonyouthclub.org

# **Freckleton in Bloom**



Congratulations to everybody involved with Freckleton in Bloom as Freckleton was awarded Gold in the North West in Bloom town category and the Preston Plate for best in category. This has lead to them being chosen to represent the North West in Britain in Bloom in 2013. Well done and thanks to all the Freckleton in Bloom Committee and our Contractors John Garlick and Golden Leaf for all their hard work. I hope the Village will support their efforts this year and provide them with all the help they need in Britain in Bloom

#### In Bloom – Calling all Volunteers

RHS Britain in Bloom is the UK's largest community gardening campaign, involving more than 300,000 people. As part of RHS Britain in Bloom volunteers in cities, towns and villages work together to improve their local environment, using gardening as a tool.

Freckleton joins in with the 'In Bloom' campaigns and this year the judging of our efforts is on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July and again on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

We will be asking for volunteers to come along and help us clean up our village on the evenings of the  $\underline{17^{th}}$ <u>July</u> and the  $\underline{1^{st} August}$  in readiness for judging. Anyone willing to help should meet us in the village centre by the <u>War Memorial at 6pm</u>



# **Forthcoming Events**

### July '13

01/07/13 - Full Council - starting 7:00pm

08/07/13 – Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

15/07/13 - Open Spaces Committee - starting 6:30pm

### August '13

05/08/13 - Planning Committee - starting 7:00pm

### September '13

02/09/13 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

- (09/09/13 Planning Committee starting 7:00pm
- (09/09/13 Communications Group directly after planning meeting
- 16/09/13 Open Spaces Committee starting 6:30pm

### October '13

07/10/13 – Full Council - starting 7:00pm

- 14/10/13 Planning Committee starting 7:00pm
- (21/10/13 Open Spaces Committee starting 6:30pm
- (21/10/13 Fabrics Committee starting 7:00pm

# The list of Councillor's and Contact Details' are:-

# Freckleton West Ward

| Cllr T.J. Fiddler               |   | 01772 634 899 |  |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------|--|
| Cllr Louis Rigby                | e-mail:- cllr.tfiddler@fylde.gov.uk<br>e-mail:- louisrigby@fsmail.net     | 01772 634 111 |  |
| Cllr Colin Robb                 | text relay1800201772 635814<br>e -mail:- <u>cllr.robb@freckletonparis</u> |               |  |
| Cllr Mrs E Willis               | e-mail:- none   | 01772 632 777 |  |
| <u>Co-opted Members</u>         |   |               |  |
| Cllr. Peter Walton              |   | 01772 632110  |  |
|                                 | e-mail:- jill@waltoncoaches.co.uk   |               |  |
| Cllr Mrs J Cartmell             | j - i i j   | 01772 631853  |  |
|                                 | e-mail:-none  |               |  |
| Freckleton East Ward            |   |               |  |
| Cllr Mrs S Delany               | (Vice Chairman)   | 01772 632 349 |  |
|                                 | e-mail:- none   |               |  |
| Cllr St John Greenhough (       | Chairman)   | 01772 634638  |  |
| e-mail:-greenhough@grenhoga.com |   |               |  |
| Cllr T Threlfall                |   | 633 964       |  |
|                                 | e-mail:- Thomas.threlfall@googlemail.net                                  |               |  |
| Cllr Mrs M Whitehead            |   | 01772 686 436 |  |
|                                 | e-mail:- none   | 01//2 000 100 |  |
|                                 |   |               |  |
| <u>Co-opted Members</u>         |   |               |  |
| Cllr. Keith McKay               |   | 01772 634 345 |  |
|                                 | e-mail:- none   |               |  |
| Cllr Mrs G Cowell               |   | 01772 679200  |  |
|                                 | e-mail:-3tribe@googlemai.com  |               |  |
|                                 |   |               |  |

### **Clerk to the Council**

The Clerk can be contacted by phone during normal Council Office hours, which are 9:00am to noon, Monday to Friday.

Mr. K Armistead 01253 731258 e-mail:- <u>clerk@freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk</u>

### **Communication**

Advance notice of all the Parish Council meetings are published on the council web site and the Councils notice board located on the footpath outside the Coach and Horses car park.

The minutes of all the Parish Councils meetings are published on the Councils web site and are held in a folder in the Library.

The Parish Councils web site is:www.freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk.

Please visit this web site to keep up to date with the Councils business. All minutes, Agendas, Newsletters, and other information are published on the web site.